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Assistant Commissioner for Patents  
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TRANSMITTAL LETTER

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RE: Applicant(s): Daniel G. Schweikert, John F. MacDonald

Assignee: Sun Microsystems, Inc.

Title: METAL REGION FOR REDUCTION OF CAPACITIVE  
COUPLING BETWEEN SIGNAL LINES

Serial No.: 09/452,367 Filed: November 30, 1999

Examiner: J. M. Mitchell Group Art Unit: 2827

Docket No.: P-3790

Dear Sir:

Transmitted herewith are the following documents for the response to the Office Action dated August 27, 2002 in the above application:

1. Return Receipt Postcard;
2. Transmittal Letter (2 pages); and
3. Response to Restriction Requirement (3 pages).

Transmittal Letter  
Serial No. 09/452,367

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☒ No additional claims fees are required.

CLAIMS AS AMENDED

|  | Claims Remaining<br>after Amendment | Highest No.<br>Previously<br>Paid For | Present<br>Extra | Rate      | Additional<br>Fee |
|--|-------------------------------------|---------------------------------------|------------------|-----------|-------------------|
| Total Claims   | 32                                  | - 34                                  | = 0              | x \$18.00 | \$ 0.00           |
| Independent Claims   | 5                                   | - 5                                   | = 0              | x \$84.00 | \$ 0.00           |
| First filing of Multiple Dependent Claim (Enter \$270)                   |                                     |                                       |                  |           | 0.00              |
| Total of above Calculation   |                                     |                                       |                  |           | \$0.00            |
| Reduction by 50% for filing by Small Entity (Enter 0.5 for small entity) |                                     |                                       |                  |           | 1.0               |
| Subtotal   |                                     |                                       |                  |           | \$ 0.00           |
| Submission of Information Disclosure Statement Fee (enter \$180)         |                                     |                                       |                  |           | 0.00              |
| <b>TOTAL</b>   |                                     |                                       |                  |           | <b>\$ 0.00</b>    |

☒ Conditional Petition for Extension of Time: If an extension of time is required for timely filing of the enclosed documents after all papers filed with this transmittal have been considered, Applicant(s) hereby petition for such an extension of time.

☒ The Commissioner is hereby authorized to charge any additional fees required for consideration of the enclosed documents, and to credit any overpayment of fees to Deposit Account No. 50-0553.

**CERTIFICATE OF MAILING**

I hereby certify that this correspondence is being deposited with the United States Postal Service with sufficient postage as first class mail in an envelope addressed to: Assistant Commissioner for Patents, Washington, D.C. 20231, on Sept. 26, 2002.

Attorney for Applicant(s)

Sept. 26, 2002  
Date of Signature

Respectfully submitted,

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